

MANCHESTER'S COUNCIL

THE CITY REVENUE LESS THAN
THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

And an Effort Will Be Made to Collect De
ficient Taxes—The County Jury
Fails to Agree Again.

MANCHESTER BUREAU RICHMOND TIMES.
HIS HULL STREET BEATIE BLACK.

The City Council met in regular session last night. There were present Captain John O'Brien, in the chair; and Messrs. J. R. Green, W. O. Handlett, Matthew Morton, W. W. Pool, M. A. Campbell, W. T. Hart, H. C. Nelson, R. L. Parham, W. B. Bradley.

Captain O'Brien said at the request of Treasurer J. W. Bronough, who was feeling badly, the Council would take up the report of the Finance Committee first. He said in part, that the Treasurer had the custody of this body in his charge. A musical programme has been arranged in the death of his son, Mr. W. N. Bronough, who died in Barbados, a few days since, while at that place in quest of health.

After reading the report of City Treasurer Bronough, Mr. Pool arose and made a statement in which he stated that the receipts of the city for the year 1886 were \$10,000 less than for the previous year. The report of the Finance Committee, giving the Treasurer's annual statement, was received.

TO COLLECT TAXES.

Mr. Pool offered a resolution that the City Collector should proceed to collect all delinquent taxes for the year 1886.

A number of reports were read from the different committees, which were received and ordered to be filed.

The matter of removal of garbage in the city was referred to the board of health.

A communication was presented signed by a number of citizens, stating that they felt aggrieved in regard to the payment of taxes, which they have paid this year, a great number of property holders have refused. They therefore ask that they be reimbursed for the amount of money paid and the same to be returned.

On motion of Mr. Bradley, the matter was referred to a special committee. The chair appointed the following gentlemen:

Messrs. Braden, Clark, Green, Pool, Ransom, and O'Brien was also added on motion of Mr. Bradley.

Mr. Campbell stated to the Council that he had been approached by a number of citizens in reference to a horse and boss carriage, which he had given to the city. And he would like to know something about it. He expressed himself as being anxious for the city to make the purchase, both for the benefit in case of its use, and the amount of tax that could be saved by a lower insurance rate. At the present time Manchester is paying a high rate of insurance. The president stated that the matter was in the hands of the Fire Commissioners.

A number of building permits were granted.

PROTECTING HEALTH.

The Fire Commissioners were ordered to act in conjunction with the Board of Health and report back if the gasoline tank recently put in by the Standard Oil Company was dangerous to health and property.

The following resolution was offered by Mr. Green:

Resolved: That our representatives in the Legislature be requested to use their best efforts to so amend the bill now pending for the consolidation of the Richmond and Petersburg Railroad Company with the Petersburg Railroad Company, that the amount of tax that could be saved from city and county taxes be exempted from city and county taxes.

Adopted.

Mr. Green offered a resolution that an expert book accountant be employed to examine the books of all city departments for the past five years ending to January 31, 1888. Referred to the Finance Committee for a report at the next meeting of the Council.

AGAIN FAILED TO AGREE.

The Hustings Court jury in the case of B. W. and B. A. Nummally against A. J. Bradley and T. B. Dorsett was sent out again yesterday, after another day's deliberation, they reported at 11 o'clock last night that they had again failed to agree. The case was then continued until this morning at 10 o'clock, when another effort was made to reach a verdict. At 11 o'clock, it was agreed that I will sell, at public auction, on

The first quarterly conference of the Methodist churches of the Chesterfield circuit will be held at Chester on Saturday and Sunday, February 19th and 20th. Preaching by Rev. Paul Wetherell, Assistant pastor at Chester, W. G. M. Saturday and Sunday, and at Ivey-Memorial church on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

ST. VALENTINE TEA.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of Bala Bridge Baptist church will have a Valentine tea at Mrs. W. L. Wood's Monday, the 14th instant. The following lines give the programme:

Oh, Monday is the fourteenth, you see; The Sewing Circle ladies will have a Valentine tea.

At Mrs. W. L. Moody's, on Porter street; Hope it will come, it will be a real nice treat.

We will have music and songs, recitations, too.

And lots of nice things before we are done.

And Valentines, I'm told.

To suit both young and old.

We will give you tea and chocolate and something sweet.

But the programme is not yet complete; For a basket will be in waiting at the door.

Into which your contributions pour.

Now, please do not give us pennies, they But dimes and quarters and dollars, too,

For we want a nice sum when we are through.

It will be worth lots to those who come, So be at the Valentine tea and have some fun.

FUNERAL OF CAPTAIN WRIGHT.

The funeral of the late Captain Herman Wright will take place from the Coward Christian church this afternoon, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. J. A. Spencer, the pastor, will conduct the services. The interment will be made in Maury Cemetery.

CASE COMPROMISED.

The fight between Osgood and Mrs. Annie Adams has come to an end, and Osgood yesterday morning resumed business in his stand.

At this term of the Hustings Court Mrs. Spiegel entered suit against Osgood for \$1,000. She gained her damages in the sum of \$900. That night Osgood made an assignment with Mr. George E. Gary as trustee.

Thursday night the matter was compromised by Osgood paying the lawyers for the plaintiff the sum of \$400. He has satisfied all his creditors. The assignment has been withdrawn, and Osgood is happy to be able to get to work again.

MRI. STEIN BETTER.

The condition of Mr. Michael Stein, who was taken suddenly ill Thursday morning at his country home, about mid-day from the city, was reported to be somewhat improved yesterday morning.

He is now able to speak a few words and recognizes those who situate to his wants.

Mr. Stein, Mr. William P. Stein, of Baltimore, was telegraphed for, and arrived at his parents' home Thursday night.

Mr. Stein was taken down with congestion of the brain while in his barn yard Thursday morning.

In MISS PRICE'S HONOR.

A very pleasant soiree was given at the home of Mrs. G. W. Payne, No. 73 Decatur street, Thursday evening, in honor of her guest, Miss Pauline Price. The merry party indulged in games and vocal and instrumental music. There were in attendance the Sir Mandolin Club of Manchester, consisting of Messrs. Alfred H. Webb, H. W. Baugh, J. T. Morriste, J. W. Powell, L. C. Waymark. Miss Pearl Blankenship presided at the piano.

At the close of the evening, the hostess, with her grace of manner, ushered the jolly party into the dining-room, where light refreshments were served.

Those present were Miss Annie Hall, Pauline Price, Susie Mario, Kil Black, Minnie Brown, Fannie Wright, Cornelia Part, Pearl Blankenship, Mrs. R. W. Powers, Mrs. W. Vaughn, and Mrs. J. Williamson. The gentlemen were Messrs. J. M. Edwards, Dr. F. Fulks, T. Marshall, R. Johnson, J. Wilkinson, S. Maddrey, and many others.

Miss Pauline Price and Della Andrews, Misses Anna and Mary Payne and Mrs. Lynch, chaperones. The most interesting feature of the evening was Miss Pearl Blankenship with her favorite songs and recitations.

FELL OVER A STUMP.

Mr. W. H. Rowland, the owner of the

Chesterfield Chronicle, was able to be in the city yesterday with the assistance of a pair of crutches. A few days since, while walking on a stump, he fell over, and sprained his leg. That wounded member is giving him considerable trouble.

THE MAYOR'S COURT.

Bushell has been quiet of late with the official doing business in the hall of justice. Mayor Maurice had only one case yesterday morning to engage his attention.

The Old Dominion Building and Land Association of Richmond were summoned to appear for allowing a nuisance on their property, on Twelfth and Porter streets. Their representative informed the court he had been requested so to do by the bondsmen, who are bonded and that the charge was dismissed.

They have recently become the purchasers of this property, and a wire fence had become broken and hung down on the public street to the possible injury of

pedestrians.

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